



## Life satisfaction of others

**On this page we very briefly describe four people's lives. Please read the descriptions carefully,** and try to imagine how satisfied with their lives these people might be.

**i There are no right or wrong answers**—we'd just like to know your impressions based on the information given.

*Sam is 33 years old. She got divorced 2 years ago, and during the week she looks after her 9-year-old son on her own. Sam earns £20,000 a year in a public sector job. She's in good health, and has a circle of close friends whom she sees fairly regularly.*

How satisfied with her life as a whole do you think Sam is?

Extremely  
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*Liz is 58 years old. She's married, with two grown-up children, and works for a large, successful firm. She and her husband have a combined income of £200,000 a year. They entertain or go out with friends once or twice a week, and take several holidays a year. Liz is close to her family, and looks forward to seeing more of her grandchildren when she retires.*

How satisfied with her life as a whole do you think Liz is?

Extremely  
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*Stephen is 42 years old. He's single, and has no children. He makes £70,000 a year in a professional job, but some colleagues have recently been laid off and his position isn't secure. Outside work Stephen watches a lot of television, and sees friends for a drink about once a month. He's slightly overweight, and carries an inhaler for his asthma.*

How satisfied with his life as a whole do you think Stephen is?

Extremely

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*Rajiv is 25 years old. He's married, without children, and works full-time from home. Between them, he and his wife bring home £40,000 a year. They go out with family or friends most weeks. Rajiv keeps in good shape, and plays football most weekends.*

How satisfied with his life as a whole do you think Rajiv is?

Extremely  
dissatisfied



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